

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 1, above line 1, please insert the following paragraphs:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of Austrian Application No. 1022/2003 filed July 3, 2003. Applicants also claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §365 of PCT/AT2004/000152 filed May 4, 2004. The international application under PCT article 21(2) was not published in English.--

Please change the paragraph on Page 6, lines 9-11 to read:

--Other welding torches including wire buffer storages are, for instance, described in JP 11226733 A, SU 1489941 A1, JP 55112176 A.--

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the attached Abstract on a separate page: